

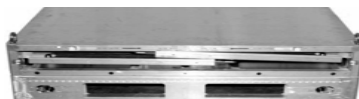


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Users “Highly Recommend” JCTD’s Modular Shipping Containers



The Joint Modular Intermodal Container in usable (top) and collapsible forms

Users favorably report on the Joint Modular Intermodal Container (JMIC) from the Joint Modular Intermodal Distribution System (JMIDS) JCTD.

The JMIC was demonstrated in the JMIDS JCTD. It offers several advantages over past shipping containers/packages because it is:

- Easier to access container contents than previous “box-in-a-box” packaging
- Uniform in size, making it easier to transfer
- Smaller than 20-foot standard containers, which enable a building-block approach to stowage
- Collapsible, reduces space requirements when not used, and reuse in retrograde ops

The containers have been undergoing extended user evaluations across the globe. The following reports indicate increased efficiency in logistics transport:

- More than 400 containers are in service at seven naval munitions command detachments, torpedo maintenance activities, aboard various ships, and at a Marine Corps training site.

Some reports from these locations are:

- In October 2008, Navy munitions command detachment in Guam reported time and money savings using JMIC. One JMIC transported material previously stored on seven pallets.
- The containers were used to move material to and from the naval replenishment ship, USNS Erickson, saving multiple pallet spaces and labor.



- The Defense Distribution Depot in Kuwait reported JMICs enabled a 23 percent reduction in containers in line-haul to 7th Sustainment Brigade in Iraq.
- In August 2008, Commanders of 7th Sustainment Brigade and Defense Distribution



Depot Kuwait reported the container “... was used for transporting supplies between Kuwait and the Supply Support Activity at Contingency Operations Base Adder. Their use reduced the amount of time it took to unload a container and provided better protection for the cargo inside. It also decreased the transportation requirements due to the JMIC ability to be stacked. We ... highly recommend continuing their use.”

JMIC was also moved to industry with technology transfer tools overseen by AS&C’s Office Technology Transition. For more information on the ACTD/JCTD program, visit:

www.acq.osd.mil/jctd/ .